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DON'T MISS THESE SWISS

This is a recent picture of 1963 Swiss Cup winners F.C. Basel.

They will play in Sydney on Saturday night against Prague, then fly to Melbourne for a Sunday match against the Victorian State team.

On pages 3 and 4 we introduce the tourists, the club's history and past record together with a preview of their Australian matches.

Ampol Cup starts Friday week

The 1964 Sydney Ampol £1,000 series will kick-off on Friday week, January 31, at the Sydney Athletic Field.

Yugal, the holders of the Cup, open the official NSW competitive soccer season when they meet newly - promoted Corinthians in the early match of the double-header at 7.15 p.m.

In the late match, 1960 Ampol Cup winners, Budapest clash with the 1958 winners and 1962 finalists, Canterbury at 9 p.m.

The following Friday night Croatia play Bankstown and Hakoah the new Cumberland United.

Next week's Ampol Cup matches are not expected to better last years's first night record crowd of 7,500 spectators.

Neither of the four clubs, on opening night, have new players capable of pulling in the crowds.

Both matches, however, will be very open as Yugal, very short of training, are no certainty to beat Corinthians.

The Canterbury v. Budapest match should be a thriller between two evenly matched sides.

Record likely

If the first Ampol Cup double-header promises to be relatively quiet, the second night of the first round could produce two lively matches and a record crowd.

Fans will flock to watch Baumgartner's debut with Hakoah, the new Cumberland United, Croatia's four new Argentinian players and Bankstown's Welsh international, Ron Hewitt.

The Gladesville v. Bankstown and Hakoah v. Cumberland double-header appears likely to attract 8,000 spectators, thus establishing a record attendance for an Ampol Cup match at Marks Field.

The Federation have reversed an earlier decision that Ampol matches would be played to the finish.

The "penalty - clause", where teams take penalty kicks to determine the winner in the event of a draw after periods of extra-time, has been abolished and matches will have to be replayed the following Sunday if they are drawn after two 10-minute periods of extra-time.

Admission charges will be the same as in the past — 4/- for the outer ground and 6/- for seating accommodation.

Referees are expected to wear their long-awaited, new black strip for the first time.

UNBEATEN SWEDEN EUROPES'S No. 1 TEAM

Sweden, unbeaten in seven international matches in 1963, have topped Europe's ratings for national teams for the first time.

Sweden beat Hungary, Russia, Yugoslavia and West Germany in 1963.

The Swedes beat the Russians in Moscow, the second visitors only to do so, and eliminated 1960 runners - up Yugoslavia from the European Nations' Cup.

Their successes were all the more remarkable because they did not have Kurt Hamrin, Europe's finest right-winger, to help them.

Hamrin who plays for the Italian Fiorentina was only loaned to Sweden for the 1958 World Cup.

Belgium, Italy and Yugoslavia share second place in the European ratings.

The Belgians are the sensation of international European soccer with "away" wins in 1963 against Holland, Spain and France and a crushing 5-1 victory over world champins Brazil.

They only lost one game in 1963, against Yugoslavia at Brussels 0-1, in the first round of the European Nations' Cup.

Italy and Yugoslavia also only lost one match in 1963.

Italy were beaten, then held to a draw and eliminated from the European Nations' Cup, by Russia and the Yugoslavs lost to Sweden in the same cup.

This is Italy's highest rating since their 1938 World Cup triumph and a result of their youth policy.

Yugoslavia, however, are a model of consistency, always maintaining themselves in the very top bracket of European national teams but never reaching top rung on the ladder.

Yugoslavia are always the bridesmaid, never the bride in international football.

England, Hungary and Russia are equal fifth on the performances' list, followed by Bulgaria, Scotland and Eire.

West Germany is only 11th and France 12th.

Czechoslovakia, Europe's top international side in 1962, are an ignominious equal 20th with Austria, another fallen idol.

This is the full European ranking for 1963:

1 **Sweden.**
2 **Belgium, Italy, Yugoslavia.**
5 **England, Hungary & Russia.**
8 **Bulgaria, Eire, Scotland.**
11 **West Germany.**
12 **France.**
13 **Denmark.**
14 **Holland.**
15 **Spain, Wales, Luxemburg, Poland, Rumania.**
20 **East Germany, Austria, Northern Ireland, Norway, Czechoslovakia.**
25 **Switzerland, Turkey.**

Albania, Finland, Iceland, Greece and Malta were not listed because they did not play sufficient games in 1963.

Sydney clubs may raid other States

The standard of soccer in Victoria, South Australia, Queensland and Western Australia may soon reach an all-time low.

This is the opinion of APIA secretary Bob Walker.

Walker told SOCCER WORLD that all the top interstate players would find their way to Sydney within the next two years.

"Australia's re-entry into FIFA has stopped the flow of overseas players to Sydney clubs, causing a slump in public interest" Walker said.

"The only avenue open to the Sydney clubs to boost fading public interest is to get players from interstate.

"The public demands new faces every year and the only way we can now give them these new players is by raiding the interstate market as European or British transfer fees are prohibitive" Walker added.

Walker claims that Sydney will corner the interstate market because Sydney clubs are the only ones in Australia capable of meeting interstate transfer fees.

He points out that interstate stars Palmer, Doherty, Falzon, Harris, Tran, Tristram, Woods, Perkins, Guthrie, Horvath, Sinclair, Pearson and Segon are already in Sydney.

"I am certain that this trickle of interstate players will assume flood proportions before very long.

"The other States, then, will suffer a sharp decline in playing standards" says Walker.

Lincoln Walters

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PLANS AFOOT TO BOOST N.S.W. COUNTRY SOCCER

Preliminary plans for 1964, announced by officials in Western and Southern N.S.W., indicate a definite quickening in country soccer interest.

In December 1963 the Western Districts annual meeting decided that autonomous organizations would be set up centering on the newly penetrated towns of Forbes and Grenfell.

The move has tremendous propaganda implications.

The aim is to strike South from Grenfell, establishing clubs at Young, Cootamundra, Gundagai, Temora and Junee.

Amateur visits

Parkes Association have extended an invitation to Sydney amateur first grade teams to play in Parkes and Forbes this year.

Corinthians, the newly-promoted first division club, may play at Orange and Bathurst before the start of the Sydney competition on March 14.

Due to frequent 200 mile-return journeys for matches in 1963, the Parkes Association wishes to link up with the newly-formed Forbes clubs.

An eight-team competition would mean no greater than 40 miles return travel.

Inter-town matches would be played as special attractions in rugby-league strongholds.

Country's voice

Decisions on types of competitions for 1964 will trigger off some hot debates before the season gets under way.

Inter-town games must come eventually to the country, but there are problems of finance and travelling distances at this stage when crowds are only small.

Firm executive action in the West and South could mean that 1964 will herald what country soccer most needs—a powerful and highly organized body of its own, able to speak to the rest of NSW soccer from a position of strength.

The voice of NSW country soccer must be heard in the affairs of the Federation.

The country should be split into zones, each sending delegates to a country division of the NSW Federation.

Country soccer is every bit as important as junior football and urgently requires the Federation's undivided attention.

KEITH GILMOUR

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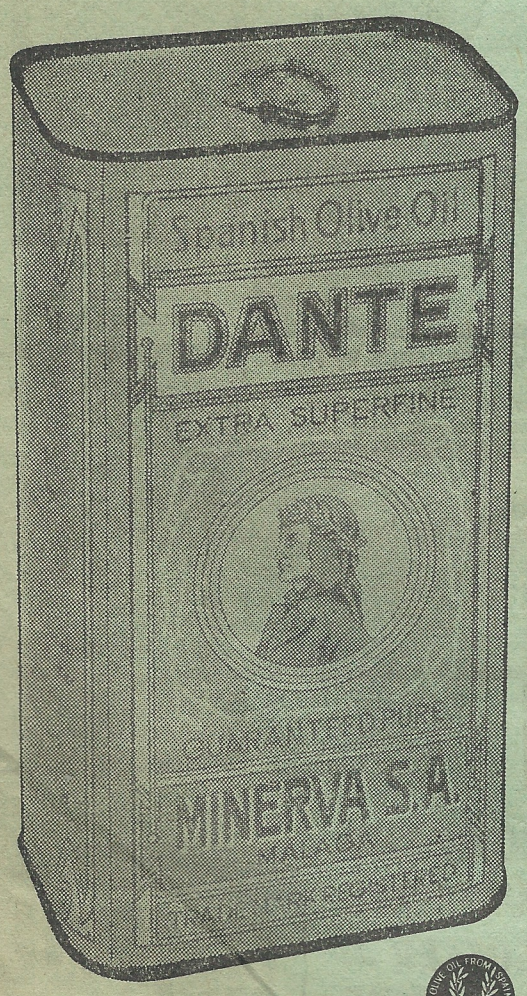

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SYDNEY CLUB PATROL

PAN Hellenic and Granville-AEK will play a match in benefit of the Blind Appeal some time next month. The match will be played under floodlights at Lidcombe Oval, all proceeds being donated to charity.

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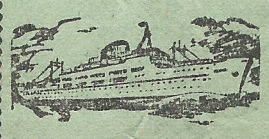

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APIA have signed Scotsman Ernie Cummings from Dundee United. Cummings, 23, played for the Dundee first team at the age of 19. He migrated with his wife and two children to Australia last year and settled in Canberra where he played for champion club Queanbeyan. Cummings is a team-mate of Peter Roach who signed up with South Coast United.

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TOP Sydney schoolboy star Martin Lissing has signed an amateur form with Pan Hellenic. Lissing, 17, left Hakoah where he was a third grader because Pan Hellenic have included him in their first grade practice squad. Lissing is likely to be one of Pan Hellenic's first forward-line reserves. He is also in line for a place in the NSW schoolboy's tour of New Zealand this year and appears certain to be in the Sydney under-18 squad for the national titles at Adelaide in June. Lissing scored a goal for Pan Hellenic firsts last Sunday when they beat Corinthians 3-1 in a trial match.

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MACARTHUR Park has just been regraded and returfed. The ground, however, will not be ready for play until the end of February because the Parramatta Road end of the pitch has sunk a few inches as a result of the torrential pre-Christmas rains.

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PASSES for schoolchildren in 1964 will be restricted to High School students. Pensioners, however, will still gain unqualified admittance to all Federation matches in NSW.

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BANKSTOWN'S half-back Roger Cowling was married last Friday night at Saint Barnaby's Church in Punchbowl. The newly-weds are honeymooning on the South Coast.

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PLANS are well under way for Ron Lord's testimonial match on February 16 when all other clubs have agreed not to stage counter-attractions to honor Australia's top goalkeeper. Prague will stage a match at Marks Field between Prague 1964 and players who wore Prague's colors in the past. Baumgartner, Saghi, Ninaus, Schwarz, Ringhoff, Bout, Kevin O'Neill and Jaros among others are expected to take part.

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THE latest report from Eduardo Massey in Argentina is that he will be bringing back four, and not five, players for Croatia. Besides Bischopf and Puig, Massey has signed Miche Rinos, 28, a centre-half and 28-year-old centre-forward Omar Collazo. The latter is the only married player among the new South American imports.

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THERE is no chance of Vernon Wentzel returning to Australia. The former APIA goalgetter has joined the wealthy Durban City club after his former club, Addington, disbanded three months ago. Addington, only a small Natal town, could not meet the expense of playing in the competitive South African professional league. Durban City are with Johanesburg Ramblers and Highlands Park the glamor club of the Republic.

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JOHN Holland has resigned as Granville-AEK secretary after four years. Holland said he resigned because he could not get along with club president Hector Byrne. The Holland family has been connected with the club for some 20 years, John's father being also club secretary 15 years ago. Granville-AEK are now looking for a new secretary.

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PAN Hellenic have shown interest in top Queensland centre-forward Eric Pattison. The 20-year-old Australian-born Pattison, who plays for Merton Rovers, is rated the classiest player in Queensland. He spent 18 months in Scotland on a "soccer scholarship", returning to Australia early last year a vastly improved player. Pan Hellenic, on the look-out for a goal-getting centre-forward, are likely to start negotiations this week. Pattison, however, may be reluctant to leave Queensland as his father is the coach of Merton.

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A FORMER English team-mate of Croatia's Rod Hoare, Brian Green, has signed for Prague. He is expected here some time next month. Green is a 23-year-old amateur with some third division experience.

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GEOFF Sleight, Prague's newest import, will be in Sydney in the next few days. Sleight, who played for the first team of English first division Bolton Wanderers, has been told to stand by to leave any day by Australia House officials in London.

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CUMBERLAND have placed 30 players on the transfer list. The entire Gladesville first team has been retained together with Auburn's Hall, Comensoli, Townsend and Baker. The following are available for transfer: Bob Kelly, Tran, Bill Henderson, Lapwood, Pretswell, Bryce, Staples, McLelland and Scott.

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CROATIA will play in Newcastle early next month. It is Croatia's policy to play matches in the country areas from time to time. Last year Croatia played a late-season match at Bathurst.

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THE name of Yugal's likely new Yugoslav import is Cijakovic, not Yakovich. Cijakovic, a full-back, is a well-known 31-year-old international full-back who was in the national 22-man squad in the 1962 World Cup in Chile.

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THE form of outstanding NSW under-18 forward Dennis Yaager is delighting Canterbury officials. Coach Denes Adrigan confidently predicts that Yaager will be Canterbury's top forward in 1964 on the brilliant form shown by the youngster at training and trial matches.

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APIA are having their usual early season financial disagreement with Spanish goalkeeper Adauto Iglesias. Former Victorian State custodian Johnny De Francesco is making a come-back and will keep goal for APIA during the trial matches with Argentinian Miguel Mazzina. APIA are also interested in Auburn 'keeper Jim Comensoli as a "stand-in".

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SYDNEY representative full-back Joe Mucillo has asked to be placed on Yugal's transfer list. Mucillo wants a transfer because he needs money for a deposit on a house. Yugal are prepared to pay him the required amount over the full season but Mucillo wants the cash he would receive from a signing-on fee now. There is, however, not one club in Sydney at the moment who could afford to pay Yugal a £750 transfer fee and give the player a £450 signing-on fee as well.

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HELLAS, Adelaide, goalkeeper Flessas turned out for Pan Hellenic last Sunday in the trial match against Corinthians. Flessas is settling in Sydney permanently.

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ARCHIE Reid, the stalwart Bankstown half back, has announced his retirement owing to business commitments.

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CUMBERLAND United's new goalkeeper from New Zealand Mel Clarke arrived last Monday week. The English-born custodian spent eight years in New Zealand. According to an Auburn supporter who saw Clarke play in New Zealand, he is an outstanding goalie.

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WHILE Yugal are feverishly scouring for a coach to replace Tiko Jelisavcic, the coaching duties have been assumed by Dusan Markovitch, a former Yugoslav first division player with professional experience in France and Italy. Yugal have approached JUST coach Jagodic but he is likely to reject the coaching offer because he is one of Jelisavcic's close friends.

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THE president of the New Caledonian Soccer Association, M. Fouques, is holidaying in Sydney. He was invited to attend last week's Federation management committee meeting where he extended an invitation to a NSW under-21 team or leading club side to tour the island. The Federation have told Fouques that they would consider his invitation and give him a firm reply before he returns to Noumea at the end of the month.

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TOP Griffith club, Leagues Soccer Club, is looking for a Sydney player-coach for 1964. Soccer is the main football code in the Irrigation District of NSW and the successful applicant coach would be found a job and guaranteed up to £250 a season for soccer. Interested persons should ring XU-1856.

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CROATIA will play a trial match against Blacktown at Francis Park, Blacktown, on Sunday February 2. They hope to field their new Argentinian imports if Massey arrives back in time.

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CROATIA president Jure Vlaho received a letter from George Fraser who advised the club that he would return to Sydney at the end of the month. Fraser spent a four-month holiday in Scotland but has assured Vlaho that he will be fit as he has been training with an amateur team.

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Prague make history in biggest test of career

Prague will play the most important match of their career on Saturday night against 1963 Swiss Cup winners F.C. Basel.

They will be creating Australian soccer history by becoming the first Australian club to play a match against an overseas team-and no club deserves it more.

Prague have decided against using guest players and will rely on the team which won them the Sydney premiership for the fourth time in five years in 1963.

This will be Prague's toughest match ever.

Their opponents, although not in top European class, are a well-versed, experienced first division side with three full Swiss internationals, including half-back Hans Weber, one of the greats of modern Swiss football.

Basel have been playing four matches a week ever since they left home on January 8.

They played games in Istanbul, Karachi, Calcutta, Bangkok, Kuala - Lumpur, Singapore and Hong Kong.

After appearing in Sydney and Melbourne they will fly to Auckland, Tahiti, Mexico and Los Angeles before resuming the return round matches of the Swiss first division competition early in March.

Prague's biggest disadvantage against Basel will be their lack of match practice, having only started training a fortnight ago after a three-month summer lay-off.

Prague are notoriously slow to reach top form.

They always produce their best football in the middle of the season.

Had Prague played Basel some time in July or August last year they would have rated a more than even chance of winning.

On Saturday, however, Prague will go into the fray very much the underdogs, with only a slim chance of success.

F.C. Basel are expected to display most of the original characteristics of German-speaking Swiss football: solid defence without too many frills, fast and direct breakaways down the middle, great heart and perseverance.

Their Italian - speaking players, however, should add temperament and sparkle to their game.

Prague are quite capable of rising to the occasion despite their lack of preparation.

Even glimpses of their top 1963 form, what with the addition of top Victorian and former Malese international fullback Fred Falzon, could put them in good stead for a great display against the visitors from Switzerland.

Sydney and Melbourne fans should be in for a treat after these long years of international soccer starvation.

LUIS GAUTO

PROBABLE LINE-UPS

F.C. BASEL v. PRAGUE

K. SETTLER	1	R. LORD
P. FURI	2	A. FALZON
H. STOCKER	3	J. BOND
H. WEBER	4	G. JONES
B. MICHAUD	5	J. PETTIGREW
C. PORLEZZA	6	S. SHERWIN
K. HUBER	7	R. BLITZ
K. ODERMATT	8	B. TRISTRAM
E. MAZZOLA	9	N. BADARACCO
H. BLUMER	10	L. SCHEINFLUG
B. GATTI	11	L. GAUTO

Referee: A. BOSKOVIC

Linesmen: Wilson, Woolman

Tamandl no slow coach

Prague coach Walter Tamandl broke his United States holiday to take charge of Prague's training for their match against F.C. Basel.

Tamandl was to have spent three weeks in Los Angeles with his sister on his way back from Australia.

He flew back this week at the urgent request of Prague officials.

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EDITORIAL

Emancipation of club soccer

Fresh ice is being broken in Australian soccer with clubs, instead of national or State bodies sponsoring tours by an overseas team.

Such a progressive move, we feel, has been long overdue.

In the past, mainly because of Australia's isolation both geographically and soccerwise, all such tours were arranged by the Association.

However, things are changing rapidly and, bit by bit, we are finally imitating not only the bad but also the better aspects of overseas soccer.

All over Europe and South America tours or trips by clubs are arranged at club level.

Sure enough, the national body is advised and is asked to give its permission.

But this, unless it seriously interferes with its own schedules, is readily given.

It would be beneficial to Australian soccer if clubs were given a free hand to negotiate visits by overseas teams.

Club officials usually have better contacts overseas than Federation officials.

Also, the Federation has ample to do without being burdened with one more chore.

What seems necessary, however, is some measure of co-ordination so as not to saturate any one period of the season with international matches.

But beyond that, the less control the Federation retains the better for the game.

Let the clubs learn to stand on their feet instead of being spoonfed — often incorrectly — by the Federation.

The clubs want this; the fans want this and the players want this also.

It would be wrong for officialdom to cling to this traditional but not well used power.

Let's hope the next council meeting will find time to discuss this matter intelligently and change the present rules which now hand over all tour rights to the Federation and none to the member clubs.

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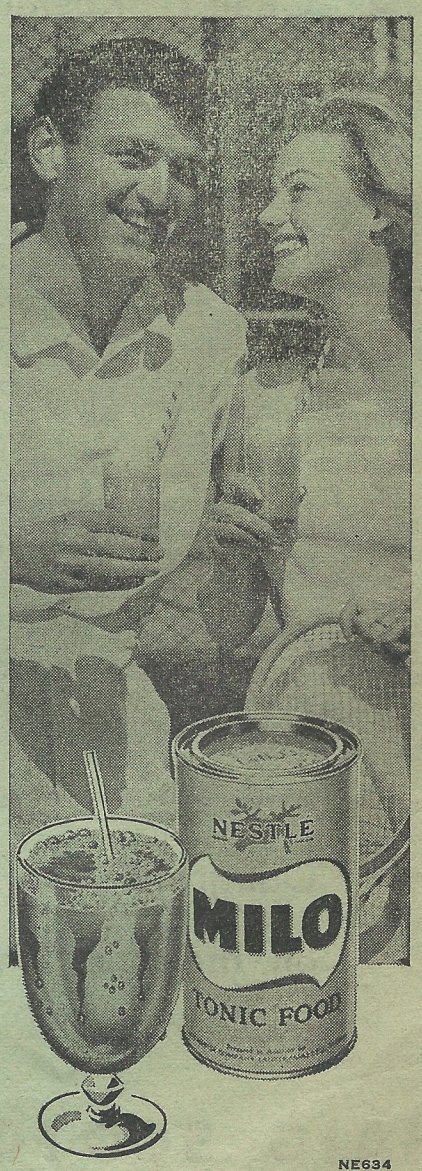

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Three internationals tour with F.C. Basel

These are pen portraits of the F.C. Basel tourists who will play in Sydney and Melbourne this weekend.

Kurt Stettler — goalkeeper: 31, finance inspector. Twice Swiss international. Formerly with Lucerne and Berne. Swiss World Cup squad.

Peter Furi — right full-back: 26, electric fitter. Former junior international. Product of the Basel junior nursery.

Hanspeter Stocker — left full-back: 27, public servant. A winger who switched to defence after joining Basel four years ago.

Hans Weber — right-half: 29, aerated waters factory executive. Capped 23 times for Switzerland as forward and half-back. Played in all three of Switzerland's matches in the 1962 World Cup.

Bruno Michaud — centre-half and captain: 28, journalist: "B" international and the team's strategist.

Carlo Porlezza — left-half: 24, chauffeur. A product of Basel juniors.

Klaus Huber — right-winger: 20, technical designer. Just out of military service. First season with the club, assured of a brilliant future.

Karl Odermatt — inside-right: 21, apprentice printer. Switzerland's player of the moment. Played three times for Switzerland. An excellent ball player.

Markus Pfirter — centre-forward: 24, school-teacher. A hard-playing roving centre-forward. Capped once as a "B" international.

Heinz Blumer — inside-left: 22, public servant. The club's top scorer in 1963. One "B" cap.

Bruno Gatti — left winger: 23, draughtsman. An unorthodox ball player with typical fiery Italian temperament. In his second year with the club.

Hansrudi Gunthardt — goalkeeper: 32, public servant. An excellent goalkeeper who could play with distinction in most Swiss clubs, but overshadowed by the international, Stettler, at Basel.

Josef Kiefer — wing-half: 22, painter. Another product from junior ranks.

Rene Burri, inside-forward: 22, chauffeur. Joined the club two years ago. Prospect for national honors. Hit top form in the last four Swiss competition matches in 1963.

Enrico Mazzola — centre-forward: 19, student. Played many times in the first team. Wonderful ball artist.

Kurt Walter — utility player: 34, public servant. A "jack of all trades". Can play usefully in any position.

George Sobotka — coach: 52, former Czech international and all-time "great". Played for Slavia, Prague, in his heyday, then coached La-Chaux-de-Fonds and Feyenoord before joining Basel in 1962. Played centre-forward for Czechoslovakia in the 1934 World Cup final against Italy.

They'll need luck...

This is the Prague team that, despite the many well-wishes, will go into battle against Basel as very much the under-dogs.

Our picture shows, from left to right, at top: Bond, Sherwin, Hiron, Hrncir, Scheinflug, Gauto; bottom: Blitz, Badaracco, Jones, Tristram and Lord.

Against Basel Victorian State fullback Fred Falzon will replace Hiron and Pettigrew will replace Hrncir.

Gay Swiss students founded present club

The full name of the Basel team is "Football Club Basel 1893".

This is the year the club was founded by a group of gay Basel students.

F.C. Basel supplied many internationals to the first Swiss national teams at the turn of the century.

There were four Basel players in the first—ever Swiss team, which played France at Lyons in 1905.

F.C. Basel's first national success came in 1913, on the club's 20th anniversary, when they won the Anglo-Swiss Cup—now the Swiss F.A. Cup.

In 1930 the club won its first national title, but was relegated to second division in 1937, after winning the cup a second time in 1933.

Basel returned to first division in 1939 and reached the cup final in 1942 and 1944.

After the war Basel clearly established themselves as one of Switzerland's glamor teams.

They won the championship once only, in 1953, but have been in the first four nine times since 1945.

In 1947, Basel won their third Swiss Cup and reached the final in 1951.

Last year, Basel celebrated their 70th anniversary with another win in the Swiss Cup.

Basel were knocked out of the European Cup-winners' Cup in the first round last September by Celtic of Glasgow.

They were beaten 5-1 at the Basel Sankt Jakob Stadion and 5-0 at Glasgow.

Situated on the borders of France and Germany, Basel have many contacts with foreign clubs.

The club has taken part in the Fair Cities' Cup twice and play an average of eight international club matches a year.

Their last six matches resulted; v. Hamburger S.V. 2-1; v. Hertha Berlin 2-0; v. Barcelona 1-2; v. F.C. Koln 4-4; v. Sparta Rotterdam 1-0; v. Lanerossi Vicenza 3-3.

Since Swiss soccer is only semi-professional, all the Basel players have full-time jobs, ranging from executive to chauffeur.

Most of the tourists are German-speaking with the exception of captain Michaud and Burri (French) and Italian-speaking Porlezza, Gatti and Mazzola.

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J.U.S.T., Juventus scrape home by the odd goals

— *From Bob Low in Melbourne* —

The better balanced J.U.S.T. and the more enterprising Juventus collected full points at the expense of George Cross and Wilhelmina before a crowd of 8,000 at South Melbourne Cricket Ground.

J.U.S.T. v. GEORGE CROSS 2-1

George Cross were in command and their reshuffled side which included new signing Hans Petersen, the former Wilhelmina left winger, went ahead when the tall long striding Dutchman scored with a good angular shot.

In the second half J.U.S.T. showed glimpses of their true form and levelled the score with a disputed goal by Mladenovic.

With the minutes ticking away a mazy run by Dixon ended with him square passing to Pikl who scored from close range to grab both points for the Footscray side.

Teams:

J.U.S.T.: Fode; Rasic, Rusmir, Dixon; Rice, Micic; Marinovic, Pegovic, Pikl, Mladenovic, Stankovic.

George Cross: Hobson; Sacco, Leitch, Hodgson; Muscat, J. Falzon; Campbell, L. Vella, Gibb, Abela, Petersen.

Referee: Mr. Richards.

J.U.S.T. looked as if they needed much more match practice to become the effective force of last season.

Dixon and Stankovic were the pick of the side.

George Cross disappointed, especially in the second half and tactics played a large part in their defeat.

Sacco gave Stankovic the freedom of the ground, star forward Campbell was disappointing and both inside forwards left too many gaps.

JUVENTUS v. WILHELMINA 1-0

A long-range, powerful drive by newcomer Donlevy early in the first half gave Juventus a deserved lead which they clung to grimly for the rest of the game.

'Keeper Altena of Wilhelmina was badly at fault in allowing the score.

In the second half a spell of niggling by players brought the referee in action.

Van der Gaag who had replaced Steele at half time was booked for a foul on Millar and shortly afterwards Hartley of Juventus got his marching orders after an incident with Van der Gaag.

Teams:

Juventus: Colla; Patterson, Hartley, Scott; Frangione, Donlevy; Oxton, Millar, Acunzo, Kenny, Higgins.

Wilhelmina: Altena; Mc Cauley, Luyt, Keuken; Van Alphen, Vluegels; Erasmus, Steele (Van der Gaag 2nd half), Bosklopper, Stoffels, Norris.

Referee: Mr. Lamb.

AMPOL CUP

Saturday, January 25.

Polonia v. Lions

Nothing short of a miracle should stop Polonia getting both points against Lions in the first game at South Melbourne Cricket Ground.

Lions are likely to include new winger Jimmy Nicol from Scotland who arrived last weekend.

Hellas v. Slavia

Desperate for points to make the semi-final, Hellas who are a much improved side may make it hot for Slavia who so far have taken a slump.

In practice games, and against Lions, Slavia have showed nothing in the way of team work and purpose and unless recognised players can come back bang-on-form they could be in trouble.

Enfield, Hellas lead in Ampol

Enfield and Hellas were the first teams to gain maximum points in the S.A. Ampol series by winning decisively on January 15.

Although their winning margin was slight, Enfield were clearly superior against a disappointing Polonia.

The losers jeopardized their chances of a second-half revival by inexplicably taking off their best first half forward Nick Karolidis

How they lined up:

Enfield: Magee; Baker, P. Hemingway; Forde, Burdett, McRae; Whincup, Mapstone, Roper, Jenkins, J. Hemingway.

Polonia: Carruthers, Pettit, Stephenson; McAllister, Buttas; Massie; Reynolds, Karolidis, Hamence, Miller, Urbaniak.

Scorer: Whincup 22 min. for Enfield.

Referee: W. Hosie.

The "new broom" Hellas swept clean to convincingly defeat Budapest 3-1.

The Ampol Cup holders had no answer to the speedy, well-knit Hellas who displayed amazing understanding considering that they fielded seven new players.

How they lined up:

Hellas: Wallis; Stathi, Coombs; Marusic, Papadopolous, Zacharakis; Protopsaltis, Worthington, Lyster, Salabasides, Edwards.

Budapest: Milisits; B. Szabo, F. Balter; Marton, Huider, A. Balter; Kubanyi, Olah, Matiscsak, Takacs, Herczeg.

Scorers: Lyster 42 and 64, min., Edwards 8 min. for Hellas; Herczeg 10 min. for Budapest.

Referee: D. Gardner.

Crowd: 3,000.

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Budapest needs paprika to counter nippy Austria

— *From ALLAN CRISP in Adelaide* —

Austria, with a point already on the Ampol "B" division premiership table, will oppose Budapest in next Wednesday night's late game (9.05 p.m.) at the Thebarton Oval.

Downed by Hellas Budapest cannot afford another loss as they play only four games in the tight series.

Budapest sadly missed centre-half Alex Szabo against Hellas.

New stopper J. Huider from Orange allowed Ted Lyster two goals and looked a weak link in the Budapest defence.

Steve Herczeg was forced to play a lone hand in attack against the "new look" Hellas as his colleagues gave the impression of either being off form or unfit.

Budapest should not be written off because of one loss but they will need to improve vastly to match the lively Austria attack.

Baines, Eichmann, Sever, Gruber and to a lesser extent Gramann, were impressive and unlucky against Cumberland and need only to continue their sparkling form to make things tough for Budapest.

District giants Enfield and Birkalla will clash in Wednesday night's early game at 7-30 p.m.

Both teams began the season well; Enfield defeating Polonia, and Birkalla drawing with supposedly superior Croatia.

Birkalla demonstrated in their first game that they have a sound knowledge of 4-2-4 and it will be interesting to see if Enfield can successfully counter the system.

The Northerners blooded Jim Jenkins against Polonia and the former Latrobe Club (Queensland) forward had a disappointing game but was no doubt short of match practice.

Enfield with Tom Forde and Charlie McRae at wing-half may command a mid-field advantage, which could create sufficient scoring chances to clinch a win, but the Birkalla "babes" are fit and certain to last the full 80 minutes.

Crisp Comments

As there is no secretarial telephone at present arrangements have been made to use a telephone answering service and all calls for the acting secretary, Tom Connolly, should be made to this number, 8-5953.

Any secretary wishing to leave written messages may leave them at the inquiry desk at:—

Austas,
49 Flinders Street,
Adelaide.

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The Council of Clubs rejected a proposal to increase the number of second division clubs in 1964.

The motion which was defeated narrowly sought to increase the division to 14 teams which would have meant the inclusion of Windsor Athletic, University, Sth. Adelaide and Mitcham.

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Negotiations between Hellas and Croatia for the transfer of Croatia players Tony Broikos and Brian McGreevey fell through when the clubs failed to agree on a suitable transfer fee.

Hellas made amends by signing Orange stars Ted Lyster and Ivan Wallis ahead of several other interested clubs.

Lyster and Wallis trained with Juventus right up until a few days before signing for Hellas and must be regarded as a great capture for the newly promoted Greek club.

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SPOTLIGHT on MELBOURNE

For many years J. Van Hoboken, president of Wilhelmina Soccer Club has not seen "eye to eye" with both the old Association and the Federation with the result he has never been included in the portfolio of the "higher up" officials.

Times change and Van Hoboken's recent appointment as treasurer of the Federation is one that is welcomed by all who want to see better club and Federation relations.

The Wilhelmina president won the post when he defeated John Oliphant of Slavia by nine votes to six.

A founder member of his club, Van Hoboken has done much with finance and bold planning to plant his club firmly into the "big time".

In recent years the Ringwood club have won the State League premiership, the Dockerty Cup and the State League as well as many reserve team honors.

By sound business negotiations the Wilhelmina chief succeeded in acquiring from the Ringwood City Council uncleared land which his young committee and supporters have transformed into one of the best soccer stadiums in Victoria.

A fine playing surface with every amenity including a modern stand and well appointed dressing and reception rooms Wilhelmina have reason to be proud of their achievements.

If Van Hoboken can attain the same success with the Federation finances as he has done with his own club's efforts then 1964 should provide a better balance sheet than the previous two years.

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Slavia's growing list of Scots continues.

A recent arrival is D. Savage, an inside forward who played with an Ayrshire junior side.

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Unconfirmed reports connect two players from Hakoah Sydney with Melbourne clubs.

They are Bosklopper whose name has been linked with Wilhelmina and Chaldi with Hakoah (Melbourne).

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New president of Polonia Soccer Club is M. Zarzeczki who runs a travel agency in the city.

Another Polonia appointment is Leo Gomularz, a clinic administration executive who has replaced the late Wally Spodar as secretary.

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A group of Russian seamen from two ships recently attended the "night soccer" series at South Melbourne.

The invitation for the seamen to see a glimpse of Australian soccer was extended by the Victorian Soccer Federation.

Victorian squad

The following 16 players have been selected in a squad from which the Victorian State team will be chosen to play against F.C. Basel on Sunday at Olympic Park:

Kamboropoulos (Hellas), Tsitos (Hellas), Margarites (Hellas), Campbell (George Cross), Abela (George Cross), Stankovic (JUST), Micic (JUST), Dixon (JUST), Rice (JUST), Barbazza (Juventus), Jurecki (Polonia), Janczyk (Polonia), Putkowski (Polonia), Cook (Slavia), Ackerley (Slavia), Sanchez (Slavia).

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ARGENTINA

Italy and Argentina will play an international match for charity at Buenos Aires on May 27.

The entire gate will be donated to the victims of the Vaiont Dam disaster.

Milan AC and Internazionale, too, will take part in benefit games in Argentina against Boca Juniors and River Plate.

AUSTRIA

Gerhard Hanappi, one of the all-time greats of Austrian soccer, has announced his retirement.

Rapid, however, are loathe to see him retire before 1965 and hope to dissuade him from hanging up his boots yet.

Hanappi, who toured Australia with Rapid in 1955, is an architect who will open his own firm when he retires.

BRAZIL

Panic has gripped soccer-crazy Rio at the increasing rumors that Garrincha and Quarentinha may leave Botafogo to join world champions FC Santos.

Carioca soccer fans claim they would rather see Garrincha go to an Italian club, like Amarildo, than go over to Santos, Botafogo's bitter local rivals.

Santos are reported to be worried about Pele's dramatic loss of form which resulted in Santos only finishing third in the 1963 Sao Paolo competition, seven points behind the winners Palmeiras.

SPAIN

Real Madrid have not been beaten at home in a competition match since February 16, 1958.

They played 100 matches at home since then, winning 93 and drawing 7, scoring 438 goals and conceding 130.

Real Madrid, too, have never lost a European Cup match at their Bernabeu Stadium.

Anderlecht of Belgium recorded the best performance there, drawing 3-3 in 1962.

W. GERMANY

The following team has been chosen by West German soccer writers, drawn from six newspapers, as the best in Europe for 1963: Jashin; Armfield, Schnellinger; Trapattoni, Maldini, Masopust; Rivera, Greaves, Eusebio, Law, Charlton.

Their European "Player of the Year" award went to England's Jimmy Greaves.

YUGOSLAVIA

Bernard Vukas, the well-known Yugoslav international who played for the FIFA team against England in 1955, will not abandon football after all.

Vukas suffered a serious knee injury three years ago while playing for the Italian Sampdoria but is now fully fit again.

He has signed on with Grazer AK, Erwin Ninaus' first division Austrian club.

THIS WEEKEND

TRIAL MATCHES

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26

S. Coast Utd. v. C'land Utd. — Woonona Ov., 3.00 p.m.
Budapest v. Corinthians — G'ville S. G., 3.30 p.m.
Hakoah v. Pan Hellenic — Wentworth Pk., 3.30 p.m.
Bankstown v. Sutherland — Seymour S. Pk., 3.30 p.m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 27

Prague v. APIA — Wentworth Pk., 3.30 p.m.

NEXT WEEKEND

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31

AMPOL CUP

Yugal v. Corinthians — 7.15 p.m. Marks Field
Budapest v. Canterbury — 9.00 p.m. Marks Field

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2

TRIALS

S.C.U. v. APIA — Woonona Oval, 3 p.m.
Prague v. Pan Hellenic — Wentworth Pk., 3.30 p.m.

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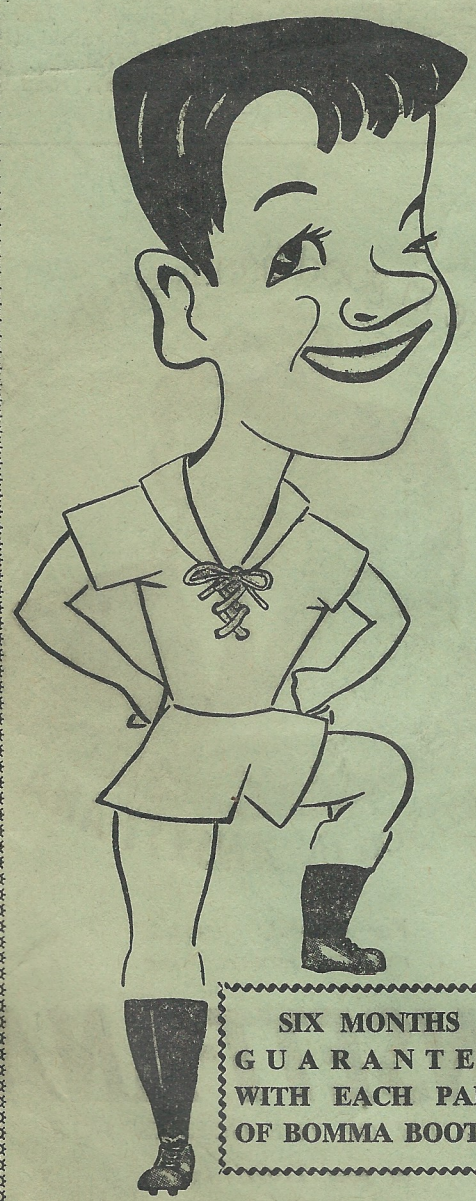

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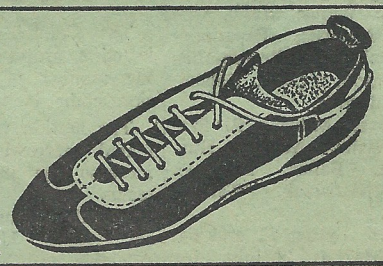

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